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PRICE TWO CENTS

TICKETS FOR BALL ON SALE TO-MORROW

Price of Tickets to the Plumbers' Ball is Three Dollars

PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

Engineering Building to Abound With Novel Decorations

Due to the unprecedented demand for tickets, the Plumbers' Ball committee held an emergency meeting yesterday afternoon and decided to sell the precious cards at two different hours and in two different places, to-morrow. The first lot will go on sale from 11 a.m. till 12.30, while the second batch will be sold at 1 p.m.

At eleven o'clock, fourth year will receive their tickets at Harry's office, while third year will be supplied in the reading room. At 1 p.m. the sophomores will receive theirs at Harry's office, and at the same time the freshmen will be accommodated in the reading room.

This arrangement will eliminate congestion of the main hall, long waiting, sore feet, and cold dinners.

The committee also wishes to announce that invitations have been sent to members of the faculty, as well as to many prominent persons in University circles. Our sister Universities, Varsity, Queens and U. of M. will also be represented.

The exact nature of the decorating scheme for the ballroom has not been divulged as yet, but it is being whispered that electrical effect never before attempted in this city will hold the guests spellbound. The electrical engineers are co-operating with Ian Archibald, Gordie Hughes, Frank Consiglio, Eddie Gardner and others of the Dept. of Architecture so great results may be expected.

The order of dances has been completed and is given below:

- 1st Extra Fox Trot
1—Fox Trot
2—Fox Trot
3—Fox Trot
4—Waltz
5—Fox Trot
6—Fox Trot
7—Waltz

SUPPER

- 2nd Extra Fox Trot
8—Fox Trot
9—Fox Trot
10—Fox Trot
11—Waltz
12—Fox Trot
13—Fox Trot
14—Waltz
3rd Extra Fox Trot
4th Extra Fox Trot

PLEASANT TEST

Dick: "Jean you are the breath of my life."
Jean: "Well, how long can you hold your breath?"

Thus far we have failed to discover the part of the world that the mock have inherited.

Yale Cheered To Victory In Crossword Contest

Witling their opponents under a heavy barrage of vertical vowel and horizontal consonant, the Yale crossword puzzle team Sunday gouged out a glorious victory at the Hotel Roosevelt in the first inter-collegiate match on the black-and-white checkered field.

Previously Wellesley had wrestled the women's championship from Vassar Bryn Mawr and Smith by the breath of a four letter word meaning something that men who sit in the front rows at burlesque shows often haven't any of on their heads.

It was a stupendous occasion. Harvard was represented by Heywood Brown and Robert Sherwood, while Stephen Vincent Benet and Jack Thomas cross-warded for Yale. Mighty cheers shook the vaulted room as the teams dashed to the tables after the kick-off and attacked the knotty words with vicious lunges of sharpened pencils and thrilling broken-field defining.

The field was somewhat jammed with so many teams vying for the honor. Yale, Harvard, Princeton, and City College of New York sucked pencils and scratched heads. The air was thick with Brown's cigarette smoke. Each moment was more tense than the last.

On the first quarter Yale claimed a foul because Ruth Hale president of the amateur crossword puzzle league came over and sat down by Brown her husband Referee Hitchcock asked her

EMPIRE HONOURS UNIV. OF LEEDS

McGill Graduate Represents Canadian Universities

During the middle of December the University of Leeds, Yorkshire Eng., held a University Week to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its foundation. Among many of the prominent men who took part in the ceremonies were the Duke of Devonshire and the Earl of Balfour.

On the program of events, the part that is most interesting to Canada was the Empire Tributes given by the several Dominions. Canada was ably represented by George Hugh Brunner, a graduate of Science '06 at McGill. Mr. Brunner, in speaking on behalf of the Universities of Canada said that the growth of Leeds University in fame and magnitude was a fitting reward for the labours of the past; and for the future they could only wish continued prosperity. If any member of the Leeds University thought of making for himself a career in Canada, he remarked, he should first go to one of the Canadian Universities. From his own experience, he could testify to the warm hospitality that awaited anyone, and to the advantage that arose from meeting one's new fellow citizens in university life.

Addresses were also given from Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India.

THE SPAT HABIT

The following letter was written to the editor of the "Abyesey"

"Are the so-called men of the University becoming effeminate? Has the obnoxious habit of wearing spats taken such a hold on them that they cannot refrain from wearing them even within the sacred precincts of the University?"

"Do they think it manly? Let me tell you what men think of it. While getting a lift around the harbour on the North Vancouver Ferry No. 3, the fifth mate asked me if I ever wore spats. I denied it. He told me it was the wisest thing I had ever done, adding that the habit was so strong on him that he must wear his habitual spats even while in bed.

On another occasion, the chief engineer of the "Lightfoot" apartments remarked that he hadn't seen me wearing spats yet. He could stand rubbers, bow ties, or even umbrellas, but to see young men with those "damned spats" draped around their ankles. "Why look at them! See their knees all trembling!"

"Only two cases those, but many other influential men in various walks of life, have told me of the weakened moral and physical condition into which the ankles of these thoughtless young men have so often deteriorated. Yours for healthy ankles
Wrigley"

Ancient History

Prof.—Who was the first radio fan?
Stude—Adam.
Prof.—How's that?
Stude—He took a rib and made a loud speaker out of it.

MED. FAC'TY GIVEN PHOTO OF NOTABLES

Portrait of Famous Group to Hang in Medical Building

The medical faculty were very fortunate when a few days ago they received from the Misses Roddick a gift of a photograph eight feet by five, of the British Medical Association meeting, in Montreal 27 years ago. The president of that year, the late Sir Thomas Roddick, is shown in the centre of the photograph.

Lord Aberdeen, the then Governor-General of Canada, was present at the meeting. The late Lord Strachan, at that time Chancellor of McGill, was also present and entertained the Association.

The gathering was notable for the number of famous medical men who were present that year at the meeting. One of the chief guests was Lord Lister, pioneer in antiseptic surgery. Other famous men seen in the picture are William Watson Cheyne, the great English surgeon; Malcolm Morris, known as the leading authority in the English-speaking world on skin diseases; Stephen Mackenzie, famous English physician; Edward Nettleship, well known eye specialist of London, England; Dawson Williams, the editor of the British Medical Journal; Robert M. Saundby, of Birmingham, leading specialist in diabetes; Donald MacAlister, Cambridge, England; William Hunter, famous London physician; Christopher Heath, London; D. J. Leach, Manchester, Professor of Therapeutics and great authority in that field.

The late Sir William Osler, well-known to McGill students and known throughout the world as a great physician and teacher, was also present. A large number of the best known medical men in Montreal to-day may be seen in the photograph, some of them have changed in appearance by the passage of 27 years. Death has taken others well known to the Montreal of that day, among them the late Dr. Frank Butler, Professor of Ophthalmology at McGill at that time, and the late Dr. James Bell, then professor of surgery.

The programmes also were painted in red and white, and were divided into two sections, the first half under 26 and the second under 27. During supper, which was served at midnight, favors were presented to the ladies in the form of parasols, hats and balloon novelties.

Mrs. C. U. Vessot very kindly acted as patroness, and Fredric Gross's six-piece orchestra supplied the music in a very able and efficient manner. There were eighty persons present, and by the general atmosphere of the dance and the conversations overheard, it can truthfully be said that a very enjoyable time was had by all.

The following were present:—Mrs. C. U. Vessot, the Misses K. Brown; G. Cameron; K. Chisholm; M. Cornforth; D. Cowper; G. Cooper; J. Davidson; J. Demers; M. Fitzpatrick; I. Geraghty; R. Goldthorpe; G. Greig; D. Hamilton; E. Hird; I. Hodgson; G. Legallais; E. Lousen; R. Patterson; M. Powers; M. Poutier; L. Protymann; J. Quintall; E. Ryan; R. Ryan; E. Shortall; E. Smith; E. Spier; H. Stitt; H. Trainor; E. Walker; G. Watt; M. Weeks; R. Williamson.

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RINKS NOW IN SHAPE FOR CLASS HOCKEY

Game Schedule to be Decided at Managers' Meeting

The Campus and Hollow Rinks are now available with the result that the following schedule for class hockey practice hours has been drawn up.

CAMPUS RINK

- MONDAY
12-1 P.M. II.
2-3 Arts IV.
4-5 Med. V.
TUESDAY
12-1 Med. II.
2-3 Arts II.
3-4 Com. II.
WEDNESDAY
12-1 Law II. and III.
3-4 Com. III.
4-5 Med. II.
THURSDAY
11-12 Law I.
4-5 Dent. III.
FRIDAY
10-11 Com. I.
11-12 Dent. I.
12-1 Med. III.
4-5 Arts I.

SATURDAY

- 10-11 Arts III.
12-1 Sci. IV.

HOLLOW RINK

- MONDAY
6-10-11 Theol.
TUESDAY
6-10-11 Sci. III.
WEDNESDAY
7-10-11 Arch.

Any classes who have not as yet been given an hour, may arrange with the manager between 5-6, today in the Union.

A meeting of the managers will be held today to make up a schedule for games between the various classes, which will be published in due course in these columns.

Famous Sayings

"Treat 'em rough."—Henry VIII.
"I'm sorry I have no more lives to give for my country."—Plutarch.
"Don't lose your head."—Queen Mary.
"So this is Paris!"—Helen of Troy.
"It floats."—Noah.
"I'm strong for you, kid."—Samson.
"Keep the home fires burning."—Nero.
"I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way."—Columbus.
"The first hundred years are the hardest."—Methuselah.

DIRECTORIES READY TO BE TAKEN AWAY

The full quota of student directories has been received from the printers and have already been distributed to all the faculties. Many students have already availed themselves of the opportunity of obtaining their copies of the directories and everyone is asked to do so as soon as possible. These directories are presented, free, by the Students Council and all that is necessary to obtain one, is to ask for one from the janitor of one of the various buildings. The students of the R. V. C. are also entitled to copies of the directory and can obtain their from the janitor of the Art's building. The Commerce students can also secure their allotment of directories from "Bill" Gentlemen and as the latter has one thousand copies taking up valuable space in his office, students will oblige him greatly by obtaining their copies as soon as possible. There are five hundred in the Medical Building, four hundred in the Science building, whilst the faculties and departments have all received a sufficient supply so that no one need fear being disappointed.

SCIENCE 26 AND 27 HELD GREAT DANCE

Alexander's Hall Prettily Decorated for New Year's Eve

A very enjoyable New Year Eve Party was held by the classes of Science 26 and 27, at Alexander's Hall, Westmount on Dec. 31st.

The Hall was decorated for the occasion in red and white, and the walls were hung with the four class banners of Science. Christmas trees placed in the four corners of the Hall, suitably decorated and strung with lights provided the illumination for several of the dances, while a menu containing the silhouettes of two ovals took care of the dancers during the moonlight waltzes.

A freshman went to Hades once. A few more things to learn. Old Satan sent him back again: He was too green to burn.

WINTER SCOUTING SUBJECT OF DEBATE

Old Scouts Club to Hold Supper at Strathcona Hall

The old Scouts of McGill commenced to-night a series of debates on the problems facing Canadian Scouting, will take as their first problem the question of winter activities.

The subject of to-night's debate will be "Resolved that the Winter scouting programme should be indoors." Affirmative will be upheld by W. Whitehead and R. J. Smith and the negative by H. T. Abey and P. McMahan. Canadian conditions are widely different in winter from those obtaining in the country where scouting originated and it is with the object of adapting the principles of the movement to the local conditions that the Club has instituted these debates. All who are interested in the movement or in the work among boys during the winter will cordially welcome. It is expected that representatives from the local Scout Headquarters will be present to hear the debate and to contribute their experience as it was at their request that this subject is to be debated.

In accordance with the usual routine the Club will meet at Strathcona Hall for supper at 6 p.m. and the debate will take place around the supper-table following the repast.

Academic Degrees Not Main Idea

Every college student knows or ought to know that higher education is no open sesame to the responsibilities of position and power, but nevertheless, "of him to whom much is given, much is expected." The failure of the college student to measure up to what is expected of him is less excusable than the failure of him who has been less favored. Therefore every college student whether he is just entering on his course or in his final year, should always keep his eye fixed on a goal which broadening vistas stretching away beyond it. He is not a MAN who simply enters college with the idea of having the letters B. A. attached to his name. He is merely an ornament of circumstance. We are living in a country and in an age which lays great stress on education. Our leaders regard its future development as the greatest factor in rendering our nation permanent and society stable. We are optimistic, but at present our enthusiasm is slightly damped.

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Not Stagnation—after you leave college, and to this end make the fullest use of your opportunities in the halls of learning now!

—Argosy Weekly

BASKETBALL TEAM RESUMES PRACTICE

Getting into Condition for Intercollegiate Schedule

The basketball squad are starting to work again at once, after the two weeks lay-off during Christmas vacation, and are concentrating on the idea of getting into perfect shape for the first intercollegiate contest to be held in the near future. The team held a snappy practice last night in the M. H. S. Gym under Coach Van Wagner. Coach Biddy Crain expects to resume his position at the head of the Intermediate A's as soon as possible. The outlook for the intermediate team is quite bright at present, but more interest will have to be shown to get anywhere. There were only three regulars of this squad out to practice last night which is very discouraging for the coaches.

The senior team were out in force at the workout with the addition of Manson to their ranks. This will inspire more confidence in the men as Manson has been playing intercollegiate basketball for the past three years. Radoivitch of the Intermediate's has been promoted to the senior squad as a guard and is filling the breach left by Hilton and Blumberstein. The latter has been out with an abscess in his ear, but hopes to rejoin the squad within five weeks.

Radoivitch has been playing good basketball on the second squad and although lacking the experience of the older players should make a good showing. Koff who was hurt before Christmas will be out for the rest of the season.

Coach Van Wagner put the men through a fast workout last night. He has picked the main faults of the team and is intent on setting these right and getting his men into the best of condition. In the game at Ottawa on Saturday last they showed this lack of condition very much. A practice game is being arranged for Wednesday night with the North Branch Y. M. C. A.

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PUBLIC LECTURE ON "INVISIBLE LIGHT"

Dr. Wood to Address Joint Meeting of Scientific Societies

The lectures given in the past under the auspices of the Sigma Xi Society have justly merited the appreciation they received and there is every reason to believe that the joint meeting with that Royal Astronomical and Physical Society on Friday, will be no exception.

The title of the lecture to be given by Dr. Wood of Johns Hopkins University, "Invisible Light," is sufficiently indefinite to stimulate a keen interest and, as it is to be presented in a non-technical way as the subject permits, it will most assuredly be of public interest.

In anticipation of this the members of the societies are permitted to reserve their seats.

Certain aspects of the subject will be made clearer by means of illustrations and experiments (many of which are due to the lecturer himself), which has always given an added educational value heretofore.

The popular lecture will be given Friday at 8.30 p.m. in the Macdonald Physics Building. This however will be preceded by an address of a more technical nature at 5 o'clock on spectroscopic work of particular interest to members of the staff.

WHEN THE FOOTBALL SEASON'S OVER

When the football season's over, and the players nurse their shins. When the field is sown to clover, and the entire campus grins. When the talk around the table turns to touchdowns that were made. And each Susie, Kate and Mabel tells how games should have been played.

That is when the halfback's lauded, when the fullback gets the praise. And the quarterback's applauded in some clever little phrase. When the coach gets half the glory, and the backfield gets the rest. Though to them it's no sweet story, still the linemen grin their best.

For the life of a guard is the life that is hard, while that of a centre is worse. For they set all the knocks, All the bumps and the shocks That would put common men in a hearse.

Still they fight, just the same. Taking most of the blame. With the ends and the tackles to help: And from under the pile They crawl out with a smile. So let's give them three cheers and a yelp!

—Evergreen

A FRESHMAN'S ESSAY ON TWINS

Twins is two people, generally babies, that's the same age as their selves, and has the same parents. They also have the same ants and uncles and the same cousins too.

Twins can be the same sex or else different. They're twins just the same, no matter what sex they are or both.

Twins can make twice as much noise as a trouble as a single kid, because of being twice as much as one kid.

Synonyms For The Art Of Spooning

Very Numerous

Poor old Noah Webster! Just as his famous predecessor, whose name he bears, was nearly flooded out by water, so would Webster be by the alarmingly rapid influx of synonyms for what he in his less severe moments probably called spooning.

Walk into any fraternal house about 1.30 a.m., find the room where the "session" is being held, and listen. "Rotten logging, snoring, lolling, berry picking, mugging, mooching, perching, grapping, jelly beaning, co-edding, night work, necking," ad infinitum.

The meaning of some of these is obvious, such as co-edding, or even coarser ones, as grapping and mooching. But the others are quaint and most of them are colorful. Take "rotten logging," for instance.

In the hotels of Yellowstone Park most of the attendants are college boys. Whenever in unsophisticated young female tourist gives them the opening they ask her if she would like to go "rotten logging." Although the name is not particularly alluring, the opportunity offered as a special concession is usually grasped. When the young lady discovers that "rot-

SWIMMERS TO PREPARE FOR NOVICE MEET

To be Open to all Except Members of Last year's Intercollegiate Team

LISTS UP NOW

"Old Boys" to Play Present Team in Exhibition Game

Arrangements have been made for the Novice Meet on February 29th. The list of entries has been made out and all those wishing to sign up are asked to come down to the K. of C. on Monday's Wednesdays or Fridays at 5.30 p.m.

The following is a list of events and those who have signed up so far:—RELAY RACE (4 men 50 yards each)

FANCY DIVING

50 YDS FREE STYLE

L. A. MacLaren, Sci.

K. Chisholm, Sci.

M. H. Moore, Sci.

H. O. Goddard, Sci.

100 YARDS BREAST STROKE

K. Chisholm, Sci.

50 YARDS BACK STROKE

L. A. MacLaren, Sci.

C. F. Adams, Com.

100 YARDS FREE STYLE

M. H. Moore, Sci.

K. Chisholm, Sci.

H. O. Goddard, Sci.

LONG PLUNGE

L. A. MacLaren, Sci.

C. F. Adams, Com.

M. H. Moore, Sci.

200 YARDS FREE STYLE

K. Chisholm

M. H. Moore

POLO GAME

McGill vs "Old Boys"

The swimmers had a fast and snappy workout last night in the K. of C. tank. A larger number turned out than was expected due to the recent New Year's celebrations, and it is evident that a few have made good resolutions for the coming year.

Clayton Bourne and George Vernot showed some good speed and got away in great style. Several of the new men are doing very well and the older fellows will have to look to their laurels, if they keep up their good work. The plungers are working so hard that it seems as if they are trying to see who can push the far end of the tank away first.

The poloists were out in force and the speed and accuracy of the shooting and passing, augurs well for their success in the coming encounters with the outside teams. The whole time was spent in practising combination, passing the ball, and goal shooting, some of the shots giving the goaler some stiff work to stop.

Mr. Vernot wants an exceptionally large turnout on Wednesday as there are still places to fill for the Novice meet in February.

Twins nearly allus has names to rhyme, like Nel and Bel, or Ned and Ted, or Earl and Pearl.

Twins allus cum in pairs. Twins is like a quarrel because it takes two to make one. No one ever saw a twin that was born a only child.

Some twins is so exactly alike that they can't tell themselves from each other.

When twins is three babies they're called Triplets—Exchange.

ten logging" consists merely of sitting on a tree that is being allowed to rot where it has fallen, as all trees in the Yellowstone are, she may or may not "rotten log."

Giraffing is obviously a derivative of the term "necking," but who or what is responsible for the latter term remains unknown.

Berry-picking is, in its orthodox interpretation, a stroll into a field for berries. In its colloquial connotation it is a stroll into the field.

Perching is rather easily analyzed, denoting simply a sitting out in the dark.

Then comes "night work" which seems to be particularly intriguing because it means just about the exact opposite of what it sounds like. When Tom Intramural remarks to Joe College that he's going to make up some "night work," does he mean that he intends to spend hours with his books? He does not!

These words come and go, fostered by a desire to be original, and the well-known collegiate propensity for making changes; but the basic, fundamental practice or habit remains, and will remain, "a case of any other name."

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TEXAS SETS AN EXAMPLE

An often neglected aspect of examination week is being approached by the University of Texas from a new angle, the following editorial comment explains.

"An hour of exercise before an examination is more beneficial than a frantic hour of cramming, in the opinion of the director of physical education for women in the University. Acting on this belief, the department will require regular attendance at gymnasium classes during the week before final examinations. Never before have there been gymnasium classes during 'dead week', as the seven days before examinations are called in campus slang."

Such a regulation has not been considered necessary here if it has been considered at all. During the 'dead week' students do not involuntarily indulge in physical training. They are free to spend their waking moments as they will. Many, basing their course of action on the assumption that desperate diseases require desperate remedies, will resort to the time-worn remedy of cramming in order to overcome the disease of ignorance within a limited time. Physical fitness becomes a secondary consideration. Time assumes an importance that in less critical time would be incredible. Force of circumstances lead us to forego recreation that a few more precious minutes may be devoted to the absorption of facts, theories and formulae.

Just at this time it is important to remember that the brain is part of the body, that what acts to the detriment of one at the same time reacts to the detriment of the other. Overtaxing the brain fatigues the whole system, and as the fatigue increases the power of reception of the brain decreases in proportion. Cramming is of course necessary to a certain extent; when it is overdone the end in view does not justify the means employed.

Regularity in eating and sleeping, some outdoor exercise daily, and a cheerful attitude throughout will make the coming 'dead week' less dreadful and will have a good effect on examination results.

Science Man's Imagination Runs Riot

Dramatis Personae:

Usual crowd of college men and women hurrying to and from class. Suddenly a decrepit, struggling Ford sputters in to the curb and a gaunt young collegian springs to the seat, and soon collects a crowd with this crisp auctioneering monologue: "Right this way, ladies and gentlemen; we've had that inherent craving to be automobile owners. Here's your chance, the chance of a lifetime. This beautiful Rolls Royce Baby Stutz with the happy Lincoln gurgles, now percolates contentedly on its own four wheels, but it's shorty to be placed on the wheel of fortune. Who will become the proud possessor of a real car? A matter of a few hours will decide the lucky winner. Only fifty cents a chance and look who you will walk away with."

"No blanks, no delays. Let us have no misunderstandings, like a friend of mine who took a sweet young companion out for a spin the other day. The roads were somewhat slippery and one driver careening more drunkenly than the others caused him to exclaim, 'Did you see those cars skid?' 'Sir,' she replied frigidly, 'How dare you address me like that?' . . ."

"Don't crowd there on the edge please. Give the gentlemen a chance to thoroughly inspect this jiggling, palpitating puddle jumper (Voice from crowd—"It'll have to be a high jumper to get over that puddle of oil it just dropped.") Gentlemen you are intelligent, you are not blind to luxury and beauty. Look at the graceful lines of this peer of all roadsters. 'The body was made up by Fisher and Co. I am sure if you run long enough you can find it. Then consider the beautiful pack hard seats with springs that are guaranteed to make you forget the roughness of any road; look at the brilliant spot-light that is brilliant in spots, and the wonderful Kelsey Springfield tires. You can see they

have good inner tubes too. And don't let me forget the four-wheeled Kelsey-Bulker Brakes. They work with the obstinacy of twenty mules—we clean them with Borax. Hey you Plobs, here's your chance to get to that Pitt game for the six or eight years—don't crowd there, brothers only one ticket to a customer—Ah, Mr. Prime look what you can take home for fifty cents. And as I was saying, Plobs think how proud mother will be when you write home and tell her that you have a new car. Can't you picture her swelling with pride and joy and telling the neighborhood, 'There, I told you so, Tommy's only been at Tech two weeks and he already has his own car.' And you older chapsmen think of Junior Prom and your social status. Opportunity, unlike a Ford, knocks but once. Ah, I have a fine differential for you here, Professor Geckler. Don't give us that unkind street-car look. Somebody might think you meant it. Step back there gentlemen, and give the ladies a little room so they won't be hurt in the mad rush to deposit their fifty cents. I'd like to press—or—urge every young lady on the campus to get abroad this proposition. Ah, Miss Helm step right this way and behold the one and original Oil Can."

"A gentleman in the crowd suggests that if I'll put on a new radiator cap, he'll give me fifteen cents for the car. The gentleman's sense of humour is as badly bent as the front axle. It needs no cosmic or cosmic urge to tell us that he is entirely devoid of sentimentality, vision, imagination and inferiority complexes. Think what Paul Rovers could have done with this car. Stoggo Cogo, the well-known Japanese traffic cop, tells me that cars of this type that travel sideways as well as backwards and forward offer a sure cure for the traffic ills of Pittsburgh."

"Headlights? Well, we have found that by removing the self-starter, speedometer, fenders, windshield, top and other superfluous accessories, the car is plenty light enough. License? Oh yes, we furnish a license. The other night we raced her against the

NOTICES

JUNIOR HOCKEY PRACTICE
Rink in the Hollow,
Tuesday 7.10-7.30.
Thursday 6.10-7.10.
Friday 6.10-7.10.

The following are requested to turn out:—
Campbell, Arnold, Fry, Gifford, Dowling, Cochrane, Quinlan, Percival, Ironstone, Taggart, Selatery, P. Smith.

HOCKEY PRACTICE
SENIOR and INTERMEDIATE B.
Wednesday 6-6 at Forum
Thursday 7-7 at Forum
JUNIORS
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday,
6.10-7.10 at Hollow

OLD SCOUTS CLUB
All old scouts are reminded of the debate to be held in Strathcona Hall tonight. For particulars see the "Daily" columns.

MANDOLIN CLUB
The weekly practice of the McGill Mandolin and Banjo Club will be held to-night Jan. 6th, at 7.30 at Peato's studio, 581 St. Catherine St. W.

SIGMA XI SOCIETY
Dr. R. W. Wood of the Johns Hopkins University will give a lecture on "Invisible Light" to members of the Sigma Xi, Physical Society and Royal Astronomical Society (Montreal Branch). So far as accommodation permits this lecture will be open to the public but it will be necessary to reserve seats for members of the above Societies. The lecture will be given in the Macdonald Physics Building at 8.30 P. M. on Friday January 9th, and it will be illustrated with experiments many of which are due to the lecturer himself. At 5 P. M. on the same day Dr. Wood will also give a talk of an informal character on Spectroscopic work to members of the staff who are interested in the more technical features of his work.

STUDENTS' COUNCIL.
Meeting of Students' Council in the Union, Thursday at 5.

ANNUAL BOARD.
There will be an important meeting of the Editorial Board of Old McGill 1925, tomorrow January 7, at 5 p.m. A full attendance is requested, as there are several matters to be discussed.

ARTS '27
There will be the initial hockey practice this afternoon from 2-3. Everybody is asked to turn out whether he has played previously or not.

BAND PRACTICE.

A short practice in preparation for the McGill-University of Montreal hockey game, will take place on Friday, Jan. 9th, at 5 o'clock, in the Union Ball Room. The games at which the band will be in attendance are as follows:—
Saturday, Jan. 10—U. of M. at McGill.
Saturday, Jan. 31—Queen's at McGill.
Saturday, Feb. 14—Varsity at McGill.

Bandmen please note the above dates.

JUNIOR and INTERMEDIATE B. BASKETBALL

There will be a practice Wednesday night at 5 o'clock. Everyone please turn out.

NOTICE

As the time for inter-class baseball is short, no game will be postponed.

INTERMEDIATE B.
The Intermediate B. Basketball team will play the Sun-Life A. A. A. to-night at 5.00 o'clock. The following men are asked to meet at the Union at 7.30 sharp:—
Freedman, Sittator, Hooney, Johnson, Miller Itapp, Bell, Fraser, Goldberg.

CLASS HOCKEY
All class hockey managers are requested to attend a meeting to-day at 5 o'clock in the Lounge room of the Union. It is urgent that all classes be represented.

W. I. WHITEHEAD.
Manager, Class Hockey.

INTERMEDIATE A.
The Intermediate A. Basketball Team will play Central W. M. C. A. Wednesday evening 8.15 p. m. at the Y. M. C. A. Any members of the squad unable to report for this game will please communicate with Coach Van Wagner at once.

LOST
10 inch Poly phase in Engineering Building, Pinder please return to Harry.

OLD SCOUTS CLUB
There will be a meeting of the Old Scouts Club at Strathcona Hall tonight. Supper will be served at six o'clock, after which there will be a debate on Winter Scouting. All interested in the Boy Scout Movement are urged to attend. See news article for further particulars.

FRESH-SOPH BASKETBALL
The following games are scheduled for Wed Jan 7:—
6.30—Com I vs Med I.
7.15—Com II vs Theo II
The games scheduled for Friday the 9th have been postponed till the end of the season. The next games will take place on the 19th.

SKI ATTENDANCE
Attendance will be given as in previous years for all who register with L. E. Hawley, who will be stationed at the Look Out on the mountain, between the hours of 4.30 and 5.30 P. M. daily.

PHYSICAL SOCIETY

McGILL UNIVERSITY
A joint meeting of the Sigma Xi and the Physical Society will be held in the Macdonald Physics Building on January 9th, 1925 at 8.30 p. m.

SPEAKER—Prof. R. W. Wood of The Johns Hopkins University.
SUBJECT—Invisible Light.
All interested are cordially invited to attend.
M. S. HOME
Secretary.

FOOTBALL ISN'T WHAT IT WAS FIFTY YEARS AGO

Sport isn't what it used to be in the good old days! Back in 1874 football was football, and eleven were twenties. The Columbiad of 1875, like all good annuals, has a record of the year's football season, and it is apparent that those were strenuous times. The account of the Stevens game reads somewhat as follows: Columbia-Stevens. Played at the Elysian Fields Hoboken. The line-up shows two lists of twenty names each, without any positions designated. Evidently, the good old game of football consisted in anybody's "booting the leather," or picking it up and running with it until he was overcome by the forces of the opposition party. The object was to make it pass between the goal-posts, one way or another.

The game started at about 2 o'clock. First goal made by Columbia after thirty-three minutes of play. Second goal made by Columbia after one hour and five minutes of play. Third goal made by Stevens after eighteen minutes of play. The game ended here though no reason is given. As no time limit is mentioned, play probably ceased when it became too dark to see the ball.

Two more games, both with Rutgers, finished the lion's heavy schedule that year. Games were played whenever two captains could agree upon a time and place. Two referees, and from one to four umpires were employed. Probably it took a greater force of officials to watch forty men than it does to watch twenty-two now.

But chasing the pigskin wasn't the only intercollegiate sport fifty years ago. Acta Columbiad, the monthly newspaper, speaks very highly of "our crown's success at Saratoga." In the Spring of 1874, Columbia sent a six-oared shell to Saratoga, which vanquished, among others, the representative of Harvard and Yale. It was the first great Blue and White success on the water, although the meet was marred by a collision between the Yale and Harvard boats. The editor of Acta was, however, glad to report that the publication of those two colleges did not express any ill-will over the accident but viewed it in a most sportsmanlike and sensible light.

There were several active baseball clubs in the College, and the minor sports included fencing, billiards and chess. A few years later, bicycle riding entered the field, and grew to immense popularity. In the records are innumerable other histories of sports and activities, which draw the attention of the investigator—Columbia Spectator.

Carnegie Tartan.

Crossword Puzzle Fiend Writes Home

Dear Father.—A personal pronoun of one letter arrived here safely and found most of the other members of the word of four letters meaning a number of men banded together as brothers (abbreviation) already returned.

It is hard getting down to work once more after the day on which no work is done (a word of seven letters originally meaning days set apart for worship), but the word of five letters (abbreviation) meaning one of the necessary evils of College life, begin next week and everybody is starting to word of four letters which sometimes means to press close together or to crowd.

There was a brute of a cross-word puzzle in the word of five letters meaning "the oldest college daily in Canada" to-day I was actually stuck on 13 Vertical and 39 Horizontal. I want to be able to rest in peace until 2 word of five letters meaning to elucidate it. I hope the family is all word of four letters meaning in good condition.

After exams, I will want to celebrate of course and a word which is spelt with either five or six letters meaning various things, sometimes a sudden stop, would not be amiss.

An over, your affectionate male offspring in three letters. JACK.
P. S. I'm afraid you might not be able to solve the word in the second last paragraph. It is check.

The Cross-Word Puzzle Re-writes Mother Goose

Ancient in 3 letters, material parent in 6 letters, Hubbard
Ambulated in 4 letters, to the storage closet in 8 letters.

To fetch in 3 letters, feminine possessive pronoun in 3 letters, unfortunate in 4 letters, canine in letters, an "os" in 4 letters.

And when she arrived, definite article in 3 letters, storage closet in 8 letters was empty in 4 letters. And therefore in 2 letters, the unfortunate in 4 letters, canine in 3 letters, possessed in 3 letters, nothing in 4 letters.

Small in 6 letters, feminine title in 4 letters, Muffet.

Was seated in 3 letters on a footstool in 6 letters.
Masticating in 6 letters her by-products in the manufacture of cheese in 5 and 4 letters.

Along ambulated in 4 letters a maker of cobwebs in 6 letters.

And seated himself in 3 letters next to in 6 letters, her.

And terrified in 10 letters, feminine title in 4 letters, Muffet, from in 4 letters.

Hunter Bulletin

From the aid for the Theta bazaar we learn that there a husband could buy his wife a present that she would like without knowing it, and all their things last years were nearly sold by noon.

When the prof. asked us for a concrete example, all of us used our heads.



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Have You a Favorite Dish?

WITH the advent of the New Year come timely resolutions and I have set before me several ideals. I plan to supply you with pure, wholesome foods, tastefully served. A great part of the art of catering is mastered by finding out the tastes of one's patrons. Now every evening at dinner I shall put on, along with my regular service of course, some special dish, and I should like to have that specialty your favourite. If there is any dish of which you are especially fond make a note of it in the Suggestion Book and give my Chef a chance to spread himself by serving it from time to time.

Pierre

Oxford--Mother Of Colleges-- Freedom Of Study

A great deal has been written about Oxford University during the thousand years of its existence. Novels have been built around it; poets have loved it well; essayists have drawn from its inexhaustible quarry; and historians have told its story over and over again. But American students have discovered it for themselves only during the present generation, and, like any other interesting discovery, it deserves to be passed on to someone else. We know altogether too little about the "Mother of Colleges"—our Alma Grandmater.

Picturesque Institutions Link Present Generations With Those of Past

When once you have been a part of the life at Oxford, Oxford is part of your own life—one of those memories that become fresh and vivid upon the slightest provocation. All this is dangerous; for the first memories that come to mind are of the most elusive sort—the gardens of New College and the well-groomed lawns of Worcester; Old Tom ringing out its hundred and one strokes from Christ Church tower through the midnight rain; old men and young men assembling in their gowns and bright-colored hoods for the formal functions of the University. There is a danger, too, of being diverted into the "curiosities" of Oxford life, its picturesque institutions which seem to link this generation of undergraduates to those generations which have gone before; the "scout" on the staircase who cares for your rooms, brings gigantic breakfasts for the half-dozen guests who are huddling round your feeble fire on a damp, cold morning; students tearing through the streets on bicycles, rushing from one lecture to another with their short, black gowns billowing out behind like a full jib; the round tin bath tub—"your bath, sir!" and a cold one at that—which shivering Oxford men accept defiantly as a challenge to the progress of science in material comforts. "Remove not the ancient landmark which thy fathers have set."

Closer Relationship Between Professors and Students Than at Yale

But after a few months, these details lose the flavor of novelty, and other things begin to emerge as more important differences between Oxford and our own colleges. First of all, an intimate relation between teacher and student is the rule in Oxford as it is the exception here. I have been given helpful hints in rowing by a distinguished College Head; I have played doubles on the college tennis team paired with an authority in Greek philosophy; I've been swimming in the Isis after the forbidden hour of midnight by the grace of an unscrupulous college chaplain who gave me his key to the back gate; and I've spent weeks of vacation in North Devon with a tutor in History, for no other reason than that we seemed to like each other's company.

There is, in English life, a closer relationship than we enjoy between older and younger men; but what makes this valuable intimacy possible in Oxford (it seems to me) is the fact that your final examinations are never set by your instructors. An impersonal committee, drawn partly from other educational institutions, prepares questions for the written examination, conducts the subsequent oral ordeal, and gives the candidates their final ranking. So friendship with your instructor won't "do any good"; no one can be accused of currying favor with him. And, as a consequence, you may see as much or as little of him as your mutual desire for friendship suggests.

Wide Field of Courses Makes Cramping Impossible

Just because examinations are conducted by such a neutral body, it is necessary for the student to have a fairly broad grasp of his subject. He must be prepared to answer reasonable questions covering his whole course of study. If he is taking Modern History School, he prepares himself (with the aid of tutors, lectures and reading) in Political Science, one of the several subjects that goes to make up the School.

Ask your tutor for a "text-book" on Political Science, and you'll get nothing but a blank stare! He'll advise you generally with regard to a course of lectures on this subject, or a course of reading; but in the same breath he'll warn you against imagining that you can "crum" one book or two books and be sure of passing. Your examination will be on Political Science, and not upon John Doe's textbook of Political Science.

University Stand Based on Final Examination of Senior Year

So you proceed through three years of it—or four—attending many lectures or few as your tutor suggests,

reading much or little as your taste and conscience prescribe, making "tests" from time to time to discover whether you are slacking or not. The first year at Oxford is one of experiment—many acquaintances, many diversions, with a good deal of dabbling at the books.

The second year is one of "getting up steam"—a few friends, a few selected outside interests and a good deal of hack work at lectures and reading.

The last year is one long driving nine months' "crum" with University examinations at the end—examinations which cover the whole three years' study, and constitute the only basis of your ranking. An uninterrupted week of papers, four hours in the morning and four hours in the afternoon, with everything "at stake on them!" Whether this is a better or a worse system than our own, the pedagogues can decide. It is certain it is a different one.

Undergraduate Life Exists in Colleges But Not in Official University

The distinction between Oxford University and the Colleges which compose it, is not easy to grasp at first. The best analogy I know is that of the United States itself and the "states" which go to make it up. The University, under its own name, and with all its formality and picturesque ceremony, greets you when you enter Oxford, and blesses you when you depart. And perhaps once, in the course of your residence, an official of the University catches you in the act of breaking one of its regulations.

But apart from these occasions, the undergraduate's life is spent in his College: one, two or three hundred men gathered within its four walls, living there, taking part in the College sports, taking the direction of their work from its tutors, belonging to its clubs, and meeting as a community at least once a day for dinner in the college hall.

Each college has its cliques, its gossip, its internal rows, its particular antipathies among other colleges, its traditions, its legends, and its specialties—whether they be strawberries-in-season, anchovy toast, or a potent brew of ale. And when you go out from the University into life, you are forever known as a Trinity man, a Magdalen man, a Balliol man, as the case may be.

"You Have More Chance of Growing—And Also of Disintegrating"

The various Colleges tend, perhaps, to produce men of a certain type; but far greater scope is given to the development of individuality in Oxford than obtains in the United States.

You have more chance of growing in Oxford—and you have more chance of disintegrating. In other words, the system (if an opportunity for education may properly be called a system) is admirably suited to the man who knows where he is going, but the man with little purpose and no sense of responsibility is apt to suffer from being left severely alone.

Nobody bothers you if you fail to show up at College meetings; nobody makes you go to lectures; nobody thinks you are especially queer if you prefer the writings of some obscure Hungarian poet to those of Arnold Bennett. "Fools are suffered gladly" in the belief that they will work out their own salvation in time, and on the chance that the "fool" may prove, after all, to be right; and that Andrew Ady may be a greater figure in literature than the author of "The Pretty Lady". To go to Oxford may be a dangerous intellectual adventure; but one has all the freedom of the buccannier while it lasts.

Inter-College Sports, With Exception of Rowing, Very Informal

There are inter-college sports throughout the year, and these, with the exception of rowing are conducted in a most informal manner. On the morning of a game, a list is posted of the men who are asked to play that afternoon; but if it should be inconvenient for anyone, he scratches out his name; and the captain, who comes back at noon to see his mutilated list, must get substitutes to take the place of those who have fallen by the wayside!

Yet a certain amount of good spirit results from these games and an even greater amount of good sportsmanship—if love of the game for its own sake be the criterion. Above all, these College games give new men the chance to prove, by their motto, and word quickly reaches the ears of the "varsity officials" that "So-and-So is playing well for Queens". Then one fine day, he is asked to play for the varsity in a trial match. That day he does not scratch his name off any list. He plays for his life—for the chance of winning a "blue" is in his hands.—The Torch.

LOOSE ENDS

NEW USE FOR STEPS

Bett: "I can't understand why you stayed outside so long with such a wonderful dancer as Jimmy." Betty: "But he showed me some new steps, and we sat on them."—Ex.

NOT EVERY TIME

Reformer: "Young man, didn't your conscience tell you that you were doing wrong?" Prisoner: "Ye, but you can't believe everything you hear."—Ex.

FOOTBALL BY AN ENGLISHMAN

Football is a "nawsty" game. "Tiddling in by the tough; They hit each other in the face, Which makes the game quite rough. They tackle men they've never met, And try to snatch the ball,—When the other team is visiting. It isn't fair at all! The quarterback's a clever chap. He knows the plays by heart. And when he whispers one, two, three! Away the fellows start. The referee is paid a fee for Wearing long white "pawnee." Despite the rudeness of the game, I swear it's awful fun! And jolly well I'm going in. To see just how it's done."—Ex.

HE WENT TO SEE "HAMLET"

Last night the boy slips me a ticket. An' the name o' the show is called. For one of them high-brow shows, "Hamlet"—So I takes out my glad rags and goes. Well, it's gloom from the moment it opens. Till the time the theater shuts. And the company's half o' them looney. An' the rest o' the cast is all nuts. The ehro's a goof know? Though his real name is George W. Bloom. He's a regular Life o' the Party. He's as jolly an' gay as a tomp. His old man was king of the Denmark. An' the poor ship's gone weak in the beam. For his dad has been croaked by his uncle. Who, right after, carries the queen. Fo, young Hamlet! It hangs around sad like. An' he talks to himself like a nut. But as yet he ain't hep that his father Was bumped off by his uncle—the nut. One night he slips out o' the castle. An' goes up on the roof for some air. When along comes the goat of his father. An' shoot's him an' careful of fair. "That lowlie, your uncle, has croaked ine. An' he's went off an' married your ma; Will you let that rat hand you the hahu." Says Hamlet, "Just notice me, pa." Young Ham has a frail called Ophelia. An' her pop is a dreary old goof. They can't dope out why Hamlet's gone batty.—

I KNOW A GIRL—

She thinks China is another name for dishes, Russia what they do in a cheap restaurant and Hawaii a friendly greeting, but she loves to travel. She thinks it's so broadening. It couldn't broaden her much, she weighs almost 300 pounds already. Wales, to her, are great fish, one of which once swallowed some one, or other. She believes Moscow is an animal and that germs come from Germany. She told me that the principal industries of Poland were mining Pot and Water and growing telegraph poles.

She thinks the Riviera is a theater and Monte Carlo a movie actor. She is of the opinion that all our Christmas holly comes from Holly-wood and that Sioux City was named in honor of its first mayor.

She firmly believes that the Carolinas are twins and that Mississippi is their step-mother. She is confident that the Mason-Dixon line is the conversation of two college chums and that Glacier National Park is a recreation grounds endowed by the National Plate Glass Workers Union.

She thinks Alaska is the answer to the question, "Will your mother be home to-night?" Her mother rarely is. Do you want to meet her? The girl, I mean.—Judge.

Coch (to prospective candidate)—Are you related to Mike O'Reilly, the famous all-American quarter of several years back?

Candidate—Very distantly, sir he was my mother's first child and I was her twelfth.—West Pointer.

GETTING DESPERATE

Young Man—"So Miss Adeline is your oldest sister? Who comes after her?" Small Boy—"Nobody ain't come yet, but pa says the first fellow that comes can have her."—Ex.

NOT CAPABLE

Teacher: "What is a kiss?" Pupil: "A noun." Teacher: "Can it be declined?" Pupil: "I don't know. I never do."—Exchange.

C.O.T.C. ORDERS

BATTALION ORDERS BY Lieut. Col. R. R. Thompson, M.C., O.C.

Week ending January 10th., 1925. Orderly Officers.

Orderly officer, Lieut. Kingston. Next for duty, Lieut. Pennell.

Orderly Sergeants. Orderly sergeant, Cpl. Herbert. Next for duty, Cpl. Budden.

Parade. The battalion will parade at Craig St. Armoury on Thursday evening, January 8th., from 8-10 p.m. There will be no parade on Thursday, the 15th.

Promotions. To be Sergeant:—Cpl. R.E. Brown Cpl. H.R. Smyth Cpl. D.R. Patton Cpl. T.W. Kerr To be Corporal:—L-Cpl. P. B. Coppin To be L-Cpl.:—Cadet C. Muddle Cadet Bones (Art.) Cadet-Couper Cadet R. Mackay

Angus Trophy (Company Cup) Jeffrey Burt and Cup (Platoon Cup) These cups, now on exhibition in the library, will be awarded to the Company, and the Platoon obtaining the best marks for training and general efficiency. These marks will be awarded on the following principles:

(1) The percentage of men returned efficient as to parades will be doubled.

(2) The percentage of men who classify in musketry as second class will be added for those passing first class.

(3) For each cadet passing his practical examination marks will be awarded, and further marks for those passing their theoretical as well. A higher score will be awarded for captains as distinct from lieutenants' examinations.

The exact marking in Numbers 2 and 3, where at present unsettled, will be announced later.

The distinctive number etc., and faculty of winning company or platoon, with its commander will be engraved on the cups.

J. W. JEAKINS Major, Adjutant, January 5th 1925. McGill C.O.T.C.

DISPERSION OF FOG BY CHARGED SAND

"The dispersion of clouds or fog by electrically charged sand is plausible," declared Professor Smyth of the Princeton Chemistry Department to a Princetonian reporter recently. "As I understand it, the method is this: an airplane scatters electrically charged sand from a high altitude down on a cloud bank. The sand particles serve as nuclei for the condensation of moisture in the atmosphere, and fine droplets form around them; and they finally conglomerate to produce rain, thus scattering the clouds in the immediate vicinity."

Credit for the idea of the invention is generally given to Professor Warren of Cambridge who discussed his theory with Professor Chaffee of Harvard. At length the Government learned of the project, and decided to finance it, with the result that Professor Chaffee and his brother began experiments and research work in order to determine the most practical method for discharging the electrical charged sand particles into the air.

The brothers solved this question by inventing a revolving nozzle operating by centrifugal force, driven by a motor, which makes the sand fly out. By changing the direction of the current, positive or negative charges can be sent into the particles of sand.

Negatively charged clouds were dispelled by positively charged particles dropped at the extreme top of the cloud, while clouds with positive charges were made to disappear by dropping negatively charged particles also at the top. If the cloud has no charge it may be scattered by charging it one way, and then attacking it with an opposite charge.

Professor Smyth declared that the practical use of the invention would be to clear away clouds or thick mists above landing fields for airplanes, and to rid harbors of enveloping fogs.

"Though it is claimed that this part of the experiment works satisfactorily," added Professor Smyth, "I doubt very much if any quantity of rain could be produced by this method. Of course to get any rain at all there must be a great amount of moisture in the atmosphere in the immediate vicinity of where the rain is needed."

"There is another method of producing rain that is being tested by the Government. An airplane discharges very powerful explosives at a high altitude in an atmosphere saturated with moisture. Drops of the latter coagulate and, it is thought, ionize; nuclei are formed and rain results. It is questionable, however, whether this experiment could ever be made a practical success because of the cost of the explosives. Sand, on the other hand, is abundant and cheap, rendering the first method the more economical of the two."

"What does aviolupolis mean?" said little sister, trying to fathom the implications of a grade six problem.

"I'm not sure what it means in English," replied her sub. sis sister, "but it means a dish of peas in French."—Ex.

Keep your hats on—the woodpeckers are coming.

MAH-JONG AND RADIO APPROACH NO. 11 POLE

Mah-Jong was within 600 miles of the North Pole last summer, according to Donald McMillan famous Arctic explorer, who in a recent interview declared that the Chinese game was the most popular on board his ship "Bowdon," during the whole of its 15 months' cruise to the North.

Describes Typical Day

Captain McMillan described a typical "day" on shipboard during the long and monotonous winter nights, when his boat was anchored off the coast of Greenland. "We used to get up at 8 o'clock in the morning," he said. "We'd eat breakfast and then change the charts in the magnetic laboratory, which we set up for the purpose of studying terrestrial magnetism and its influence on navigation. "Two men would be detailed to go ashore to a fresh water pond, which we had discovered, and secure 20 gallons of water. Other members of the crew would take walks along the coasts or pay calls on the two Eskimo encampments which were nearby."

Cribbage for the Conservative

"Luncheon was served about 2 o'clock, at which time there was a sort of twilight such as American has at about 5 o'clock on a winter morning. The rest of the day it was quite dark. After dinner we read from our library and wrote up our journals."

"In addition to our Mah-Jong, which was far and away the most popular game with everyone, we played a lot of cribbage. Fortunately or unfortunately as the case may be our radio brought us no word of cross-word puzzles and we continued in blissful ignorance."

Declares for Radio

"In the evening the whole crew would listen to the radio, which certainly was a blessing. I never would go North again without one. On my trip next summer, on which we intend to establish a permanent station for the study of terrestrial magnetism, I expect to have a much larger and more powerful radio equipment on board." Mr. McMillan praised the character of the Eskimo race. "Although they are very primitive," he said, "they are unusually helpful on an expedition and excellent and intelligent company."

FINANCIALLY SPEAKING

Success is as simple as simple can be. All the fellows who get there admit it. But none of the lot ever seem to agree.

On the rules we should follow to hit it.

My wants are as modest as modest can be.

Just a million or two is sufficient. Yet fortune refuses to smile upon me; All my efforts have proved inefficient.

I'm willing to shoulder the burden of wealth.

And assume all its worry and trouble; In fact I am blest with the best of good health.

And believe I could well carry double I'd never object to the size of my pile. And my cheerfulness never would vary.

I'd wear a complacent, self-satisfied smile.

Like the cat that devoured the canary.

The schemes I have tried always failed to pan out.

The results have been far from substantial.

At last I'm beginning to have a grave doubt.

Of my talents in matters financial. But should opportunity come to my door—

And the thought of his coming is cheering—

He won't have to knock till his knuckles are sore.

He will find I am not hard of hearing. —Acadia Athenaeum

Graduation—the triumph of mind over Mater (Alma)

A ROMANCE

"Darling, I love you." The murmur came from the corner of the pantry.

Immediately a plate fainting and a cup heroically endeavored to bring her back to life by fanning a gentle breeze upon her enamelled complexion.

"Without you, life would be just one dish of hash after another," was murmured from the same corner.

A pan marches disgustedly from the room, while a tumbler took a tumble from the table. The dignified clock hid its face behind its hands and the

knife and fork tried in vain to spoon, "I am completely wrapped up in you," the lady sighed. The teapot hissed. The pitcher left his box because he could not put them out. The window hurriedly left her sash because she had a pain. The salt got fresh and the pepper knocked off her top, while the butter tried to saucer. Another faint ripple and the bread knife fell from the table, with a bang, cutting the apple to the core. "Beautiful," he whispered. All was over. A loud snap was heard and the Victrola on the table in the corner ceased to talk.—Ex.



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"The same as your parents," answered her father.

"What would I be if I were born on the ocean?" she queried.

"You would take your parents' nationality," repeated her father.

But she could not be stopped and so she asked still one more question.

"But what if I were travelling with my aunt and uncle?"—Tiger.

TO A CATERPILLAR

Helpless, crawling thing! Indifferent to what the future will bring:

Creeching, squirming, humping. Dodging the birds that are jumping

From bough to bough. To catch it to devour.

Someone mashes him flat: A wet spot shows where he sat

Before he disappeared. From a world he never feared;

Squashed by an enormous shoe. Big enough to house him and more too.

I wonder what would be the sensation

If a man as large as creation Were to put his foot down on me.

And mash me as I would mash a flea.

We can thump him from our window sill or

Rub him out to nothingness. Poor Caterpillar!

Photographer—Watch the camera, and you'll see a pretty little dicky bird come out.

Modern Child—Oh, don't be an ass; expose the plate and let's get this thing over.—Gateway.

What is it that raises a man above his fellows?—A soap box.

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Oxford vs. Cambridge Byron vs. Shelley

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The New Student from which the following article has been taken is a news-magazine published once a week with special supplements appearing once a month. The best of college news is gathered, and presented in an interesting way and commented upon editorially. In the Special supplements are articles of the Nature of the one that follows. The article by Hendrik Van Loon, which appeared in the Christmas issue of the Daily was taken from one of these supplements. The New Student also operates a regular news-service, of which the Daily makes considerable use. It has been described by one magazine as an intercollegiate clip-sheet. So it is, but it is one of a very superior order, presenting only the most interesting items and in a most interesting way.

It was on a cold November day, in the year 1829, that a group of Cambridge men took the old "Puck" coach on its way through deep snow to Oxford, there to bring about one of the most interesting single evenings in the history of undergraduate life.

The debating Unions of Oxford and Cambridge were both about a half dozen years old. Oxford had more polish, Cambridge more substance. The Oxford men later admitted that in this adventure they had rushed in where angels feared to tread. Their quarters were more comfortable than their rivals', and they thought they had to do with an invasion of the Barbarians.

But at Cambridge there was a group of men, a society called the Apostles; and their great adventure, their apostolic mission was to consist in nothing less than the friendly overwhelming of Oxford, the entire university, into finally accepting her own poet, Percy Bysshe Shelley. This was to be done skillfully by drawing Oxford into a debate comparing the merits of Shelley with those of Byron, who had begun his stormy career in the school they themselves represented.

Both poets had died in the previous decade, Shelley three years before Byron.

Oxford had never been interested in her poet, whose painful student days had been those of a gentle but awkward ghost. He shunned activities, he had no use for the commonplace college gatherings; and what he called the "turbulent animalisms" of the students filled him with disgust. Besides, was he not an "atheist," and as such almost untouchable?—Even later, when the rest of the world began to praise Shelley, his "Alma Mater" still remained aloof, superior, and ignorant.

The stage discharged a remarkable trio of Cambridge men. Arthur Hallam, the manly and gentle fellow whose death by drowning was later to inspire Tennyson's *In Memoriam*; Thomas Sunderland, and Monckton Milnes, Lord Houghton. The last-named never afterwards was certain whether he had fibbed or not to venerable Mr. Wordsworth, then master of Trinity College, in order to get away. Shelley was not yet a name to be carelessly spoken before poetry.

They were met by the Oxford men, led by one William Ewart Gladstone, a tall chap with black hair and flashing eyes, who already shone forth his power, and was admired by his fellow-students as one who would be sure to make his way. "The man that took me most," wrote Milnes later, "was the youngest Gladstone of Liverpool—I am sure, a very superior person."

With him, amongst the others, was one Henry Edward Manning, also a fellow of portent, already an infallible young Pope in the eyes of his friends, and a "ready and agreeable speaker at the Union."

The debate commenced, before union benches that "swarmed and murmured like a hive of bees."

Oxford innocently plunged. Shelley they did not know, nor was much attention being paid to him at Oxford. Byron they knew; therefore he must be superior. "Manning's speech . . . was a clever piece of special pleading. Strange to relate, the pose affected by Oxford in this matter was rather a subtle form of ignorance, based, in the main, on what feeling could be cherished in an intellectual man with a stubborn honesty as a defense against what was believed to be atheism. Herein, at this epoch, Oxford hardly dreamed in public debate of disputing the decisions of authority, for these had the force of an accepted revelation. But the Cambridge men, in speaking for Shelley, swept this defense away. It was a defense against an imaginary foe . . ."

The battle turned into a rout. Manning later said the debate had been a mistake; so ill equipped were he and his friends to deal with what ethereal poetry implies. "We Oxford men were precise, orderly, and morbidly afraid of excess in word of manner. The Cambridge oratory," he declared, "came like a flood into a millpond . . . I remember the effect of Sunderland's declamation to this day. It had never been seen or heard before among us. We cowered like birds, and ran like sheep."

But it was Hallam, thinks the chronicler, who contributed the most. "Hallam, the man who had helped to rescue Adonais from neglect, himself to become, through a great poet, a classic figure, an example, as long as the language shall last, of the beauty inherent in manly living and accomplishment . . . Metaphysical depths of thought and feeling had already been sounded by him, and for the poet of his choice, master of organ or trumpet or of the slenderest reed, who had passed through life in touch with divinity, though others knew it not, he uttered with passion what passion steeped in knowledge could positively prove."

Milnes—consummate advocate, in order to show how Shelley's youthful atheism later changed into a similarity to Christian faith, read with feeling from the fine chorus of the "Hellas," one of Shelley's latest works, the lines:

A power from the unknown God,
A Promethean conqueror came,
Like a triumphant path he trod

The thorns of death and shame.

That these occurred in a dramatic part, not as words of the author, he glossed over; but he had struck home. There was a silence of several minutes.

Then Manning arose to close the debate, speaking with consciousness of defeat, but obliged in hospitality to say something.—The motion was carried in favor of Byron by a majority of 33 in a poll of 123. Many of the ninety who voted against Shelley, though really converted, were complimenting Cambridge, since Byron was a Cambridge man.

Comments the historian:

Innovations In Crossword Puzzle Realm

Since the first crossword between Cain and Abel these puzzles have steadily increased to the present crescendo which has tied up street traffic, cut into family mealtime, and worn out the overworked dictionaries. Like a ray of sunshine comes the appended list by H. J. Phillips in the New York Sun. Here many a puzzled reader may find the key words of otherwise hopeless puzzles—now tabbed for further solution. Ready! Go!

- 1—Name of a series of early wars in Roman history—Punic.
- 2—A book used to hold family photographs—Albumen.
- 3—A type of ox—Mosque.
- 4—Young ducks—ducks.
- 5—A brass musical instrument similar to a bugle—Cornet.
- 6—A sound made when one glass is struck against another in making a toast—Clinic.
- 7—Part of an electrical system—To steal a child for ransom—Dynasty.
- 8—The highest part of the back of a horse between the shoulder blades—Zithers.
- 9—The ruling party in Russia—Scribble.
- 10—Four quarts in Spanish—galleon.
- 11—A protective fire sent up by the artillery—mirage.
- 12—A kind of red pepper—Canine.
- 13—French for soup—portage.
- 14—A unit of electric power—wart.
- 15—A dependent or slave of another—wasnail.
- 16—A small dish for holding a tea-cup—Sorcerer.
- 17—Being a lover of sardines—Sar-donic.
- 18—Depressed, sad, melancholy—varicose.
- 19—Glass water bottle, decanter—Giraffe.
- 20—A place where surface cars are kept—Carbon.
- 21—A great German Prime Minister—Bismuth.
- 22—A Russian monk famed for his evil ways—Asperin.
- 23—A man who drives a taxicab—Taxidermist.
- 24—An invention by which sounds are broadcast—Rodeo.
- 25—A young lady who has just been introduced to society—Debutante.
- 26—A term of endearment used on a sweetheart by a man with a cold in his head—Sweden.
- 27—An antidote—Semetic.
- 28—To love deeply; to show great affection—Amortize.
- 29—Bye-glasses with a chain on them—skeptics.
- 30—A kind of spice used on buns—Cinema.
- 31—A garment worn by the ancient Romans—Quorum.
- 32—A great many soldiers in one organization—Lesion.
- 33—A severe cold in the chest common to infants—group.
- 34—An old fashioned articles one worn by fashionable women to improve their figures—Filibuster.
- 35—A Hebrew house of worship—Syndicate.

—The Literary Digest.

How dear old ladies are shocked to see girls do the things they vainly longed to do at that age.

—EX.

When you tell a man something, it goes in one ear and out the other; when you tell a woman something it goes in both ears and comes out of her mouth.

—EX.

"I beat a prof. up today."

"How's that?"

"Passed him on the hill."

—EX.

We're too discreet to use names, but one of the Proshins thought that cutting was a special course in dressmaking.

—EX.

"Rivalry between schools of poetry is of course the most fantastic thing in the world, and no vote can prove anything, one way or the other. Such proceedings, however, may enlighten and convince and broaden the mind. To have held a debate at all on such a subject indicated a great advance for the society . . . It was talked about for years: it is talked of still . . . It sent men back to their rooms to consider a neglected poet, especially in relation to the whole wide question of repression in which the Union was vitally concerned . . . Cambridge had wrought a fine action, thoroughly thought out, and it is not fanciful to date from this event the actual rehabilitation of Shelley's name and fame in Oxford."

"The Cambridge guests departed, delighted with their reception . . ."

This account of the Byron-Shelley debate has been quoted and lifted bodily from the single chapter on it in the book of Herbert A. Morrah, *The Oxford Union, 1823-1923* (Casell, 1923, 325 pp.) in the hope that it will whet the appetite of the reader for the book. In more respects than one, American debating now is stagnant, more stagnant than debating was at Oxford before Cambridge's invasion. Now America is being invaded by both Cambridge and Oxford, and the indications are that America is being fertilized by them.

Every debating team should own this book. Though it is at times somewhat over-detailed and sometimes dull to us, it does help to bring us into the atmosphere which helped to form in greater or less degree, among others, Gladstone, Henry Manning, Disraeli, Ruskin, Bishop, Wilberforce, Lord Robert Cecil, John Morley, Frederick Harrison, King Edward VII, Lord Asquith, Lord Curzon. Would that American debating could help produce some more like these!

D. P. H.

What's On

TO-DAY

- 2:00—Arts '27 Hockey Practice
- 5:30—Arts '25 vs Arts '26 Basketball M. H. S.
- 6:00—Old Scouts Club at Strathcona Hall.
- 6:10—Junior Hockey Practice at Hol-low.
- 7:30—Mandolin and Banjo Club
- 8:00—Basketball intermediate B at Sun Life A. A. A.

COMING

- January 7.
Plumbers' Ball Tickets.
Annual Board Meeting.
Com. I vs Med. I Basketball
Com. II vs Med. II Basketball
- January 8.
Students' Council Meeting.
- January 9.
Rooters' Band Practice.
Dr. R. W. Wood lecture
- January 10.
U. of M.—McGill Senior Hockey at Forum.
- January 13.
Mid-term exams begin.

Crosswords Epidemic Of Present Day

As the 4th century had its Black Death and 1918 had its epidemic of influenza, so 1924 has its attacks of Crossword puzzles. This deadly disease strikes into the most noble families and causes domestic trouble in the most peaceful homes. It has even reached its dread grasp into our quiet little campus, leaving in its trail broken hearts and mutilated newspapers.

The symptoms are easily recognized. The victim at first exhibits a certain dumb expression of the face, paleness of the cheeks and an intense aversion for studying. He will seek the newspapers and furtively glance through the pages to discover his daily puzzle. Then he will wait for his chance when no one is looking; he will dive into his sport with utmost energy. This stage usually lasts several weeks or at least until he finds another in the same condition.

It is in the next stage that we find the most marked changes. The victim cuts the puzzle from the paper and with the help of the dictionary proceeds to fill out the spaces. He walks into the wrong classroom muttering to himself, "A personal pronoun with ten letters beginning with y." He has a preoccupied look which changes to one of either pessimism or madness as the case advances.

Most of our campus cases have not progressed beyond this stage. We would hate to predict the future for he who insists on indulging in this pastime. But we can imagine that he will continue his sport sending C.O. D. for all the latest Crossword Puzzle books with sealed answers. The time may come when they will have to be segregated into colonies.

It is believed by many that if cases of this nature are taken in time and handled properly, the victims may recover. The following list of rules should be observed in the treatment of your roommate or others near and dear to you.

- 1 Remove all newspapers from the room and avoid all mention of the "Daily".
- 2 Do not wear checked shirts and do not allow the sufferer to wear them. They may remind him of a crossword puzzle.
- 3 Hide the dictionary and urge him to drop any courses that may require its use.

Philosophy Of Clothes Has New Aspect

DON'T WEAR KNICKERS . . . The following was clipped and sent in by a friend of ours. It appeared in the Baltimore News, and we run it here with no changes other than a few well-placed deletions:

"In order to disarm the fair sex which is so very, very much afraid of great nob's overtures sporting derby hats, wing collars dangerous yellow canes, men are imitating woman's dress."

"Men are going in for 'sex appeal,' formerly the property of best-selling novels and movie vampires. Men are studying cut and color with a view to acquiring charm."

Van Moe Charm.
"The tendency among men is to be and to appear, soft. Soft hat, soft collar, soft suit—everything soft and sweet."

"From Dr. Charles Gray Shaw of N. Y. U. we have received this further addition to his shocking statement of Monday in which he attacked men who wear knickers on the wrong occasions. Dr. Shaw's authority on matters of philosophy and—though the word is not academic—PANTS:

"Dr. Shaw detects aristocratic yearnings in men who dress up for a game they do not—even cannot—play. He denounces those of his sex who parade on Fifth Ave. in the breeches that were meant to land laughter to Long Island golf links."

"Knicker and democracy do not go together."

"All who appear in short breeches tend to create the impression that they prefer aristocratic privileged form, or government."

"The 'cub' shows what the man is and what he intends to do. When he wears armor he means to fight. If he wears a soldier's uniform he is a soldier. When he dons overalls he is ready for dirty work. If he appears in a sack suit he means business."

"But when he appears in abbreviated breeches it is evident he means to play—or pose."

"Dr. Shaw offers a substitute for the short breeches he so despises:

"For playing golf wear long trousers and roll them, as sailors do."

"Or when he actually plays golf he could do his pants on the links."

New Tests for Suitors.

"Observers of the masculine tendency in women's dress during the past few years have explained that women wish to lure men by appearing like them, by a soothing similarity and not by an alarming difference in appearance. In an age in which her accomplishments rivaled man's and in which men developed jealously and 'inferiority complexes,' woman does well to lessen male fears in any way she finds suitable, even though boyish clothes and cuts may not become her."

"But now, thanks to Dr. Shaw, woman have a new way of measuring male vanity. It is this:

"In the length of his trousers are to be discovered a man's intentions."

"Falling to the ankle, they prove him a staunch supporter of democracy."

"Stopping at the knee, they reveal a tendency toward aristocracy and frequently poor self development."

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Kansas State Agricultural College: has established a radio college which will broadcast forty college extension courses during the next eight months.

—EX.

Approximately two-thirds of the present forest cut is lost in the processes of conversion and through inefficient use.

—EX.

Elia—Universities must, be very wicked places.

Willcox—Yes, yes go on

Elia—Boys and girls under sixteen are not admitted.

—EX.

If every woman's face was her fortune some of them would be arrested for counterfeiting.

—EX.

4 Do not allow him under any circumstances to ask Mental Tests.

5 Keep him away from other addicts as much as possible and remember the rule, "Be kind to dumb animals."

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Reckless thinking—useless pain.
Twitching eyelids—aching head.
Flurried searching—brain power dead.
Hurried questions—no reply.
Preparations—now to die;
These emotions plainly show.
We are called on—We don't know!

G. H.
—Hunter Bulletin

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A sailor has a girl in every port but the college man has one on every davenport.

The height of hard luck—A man who is a burglar and his wife won't let him go out at nights.

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